(c) whether it is a fact that Indians have poor health and lower nutritional levels which require stricter pollution measures than those in the USA; and

(d) if so, whether a total review of all pollution standards will be undertaken at the earliest to fit in India's specific needs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) and (b) The Central Pollution Control Board has set the following standards for sulphur dioxide and suspended particulate matter in different categories of areas based on 8 hourly average concentrations in the air;

Category of area	Sulphur dioxide (microgram per cubiemetre)	Suspended particulate matter (microgram per cubic metre)
Industrial and mixed use	120	500
Residential and Rural	80	200
Sensitive	30	100

In USA, the standards for sulphur dioxide and suspended particulate matter are 60 and 75 micrograms per cubic metre respectively. However, these standards are for annual average concentrations of the pollutants.

(c) Yes, Sir.

(d) The standards are laid down after taking into account specific needs under Indian conditions.

PM's meetings with Pak President

741. SHRI M. KADHARSHA:
SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY:

Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any consensus has been reached with Pakistan for the proposed meeting of our Prime Minister and Pakistan's President;

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be held;

(c) whether the subjects to be discussed have been finalised; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) No, Sir.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

ITDC hotels

742. KUMARI SUSHILA TIRIA: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the number of new hotels constructed by the ITDC in the country during the last three years; and

(b) the number of hotels which are at present under construction and by when these are likely to be complettd?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) No new hotel was constructed by ITDC in the country during the last three years (1983-84 to 1985-86).

(b) The information is given in the Statement attached.